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To whom it may concern:

My opinion, for what it is worth, is that our economy began to suffer when you, the DoJ, commenced you attacks on a legitimate and viable company, a company employing thousands and providing a product used by many.

Your suit seems to be based on the premise that we, the consumer, are being ripped off; a puzzling position in that I received my copy of the Windows operating system free and can access the internet with software I received free. I might add that I continue to receive free AOL disks and have never paid for the browser I use, Netscape. I have heard no complaints about those companies giving away free software.

My feeling now is that those who would continue to pursue the suits against Microsoft are looking either for glory or market advantage when they can get neither any other way.

Sincerely, Steve Cain Gig Harbor, Washington